

Claim Amendments

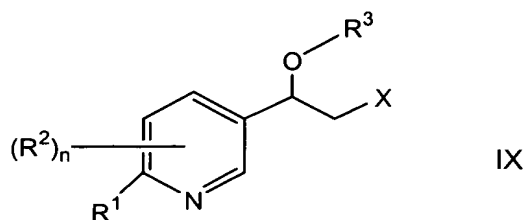
1-17 (cancelled).

18-30 (cancelled).

31-33 (cancelled).

34-36 (cancelled).

37(original). A compound of the formula



wherein n is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

R^1 is hydrogen or halo;

each R^2 is independently hydrogen, halo, trifluoromethyl, cyano, SR^4 , OR^4 , SO_2R^4 , $OCOR^5$, or (C_1-C_{10}) alkyl wherein the alkyl group is optionally substituted by hydroxy, halo, cyano, $N(R^4)_2$, SR^4 , trifluoromethyl, OR^4 , (C_3-C_8) cycloalkyl, (C_6-C_{10}) aryl, NR^4COR^5 , COR^5 , SO_2R^5 , $OCOR^5$, $NR^4SO_2R^5$ and $NR^4CO_2R^4$;

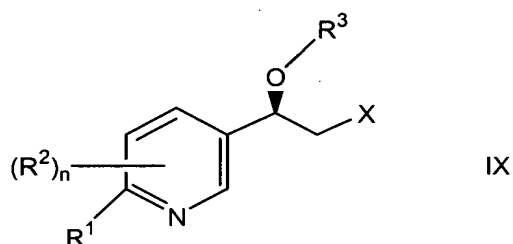
R^3 is tetrahydrofuranyl, tetrahydropyranyl or a silyl protecting group;

X is halo, methanesulfonyloxy, benzenesulfonyloxy, p-toluenesulfonyloxy, m-nitrobenzenesulfonyloxy or p-nitrobenzenesulfonyloxy;

R^4 and R^5 , for each occurrence, are each independently selected from hydrogen, (C_1-C_{10}) alkyl, (C_1-C_{10}) alkoxy, (C_3-C_8) cycloalkyl, (C_6-C_{10}) aryl, (C_2-C_9) heterocycloalkyl, (C_2-C_9) heteroaryl or (C_1-C_6) aryl wherein the alkyl group is optionally substituted by the group consisting of hydroxy, halo, carboxy, (C_1-C_{10}) alkyl- CO_2 , (C_1-C_{10}) alkylsulfonyl, (C_3-C_8) cycloalkyl, (C_1-C_{10}) alkoxy, or (C_1-C_6) alkyl; and wherein the aryl, heterocycloalkyl and heteroaryl groups are optionally substituted by one to four groups consisting of halo, nitro, oxo, $((C_1-C_6)alkyl)_2$ amino, pyrrolidine, piperidine, (C_1-C_{10}) alkyl, (C_1-C_{10}) alkoxy,

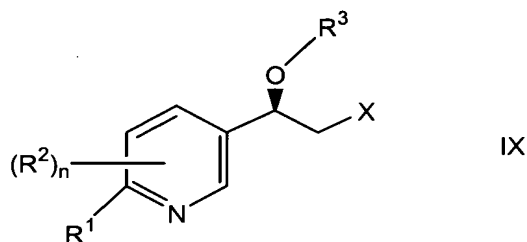
(C₁-C₁₀)alkylthio and (C₁-C₁₀)alkyl wherein the alkyl group is optionally substituted by one to four groups selected from hydroxy, halo, carboxy, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-CO₂, (C₁-C₆)alkylsulfonyl, (C₃-C₈)cycloalkyl and (C₁-C₆)alkoxy; or R⁵ is N(R⁴)₂ wherein R⁴ is as defined above.

38(original). A compound according to claim 37, wherein the compound of formula IX is the R enantiomer



wherein R¹ is chloro; R² is hydrogen; R³ is tert-butyldimethylsilyl; and X is p-toluenesulfonyloxy.

39(original). A compound according to claim 37, wherein the compound of formula IX is the R enantiomer



wherein R¹ and R² are hydrogen.

40 – 48 (cancelled)